REMARKS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, the marked-up version of the above amendments to the specification is appended hereto as an Appendix.

By this preliminary amendment, applicants have complied with the requirements under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. Enclosed herewith is a separate Sequence Listing in paper form and in computer readable form. A Statement in Accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g) is also enclosed herewith.

Applicants respectfully request examination of the above-identified application.

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APPENDIX

Showing Changes Made to the Application

The following amendments are indicated by underlined text for additions and strike-out text for deletions.

At page 3, lines 30-35:

Fig. 7 depicts the TSWV-BL N coding sequences introduced into transgenic plants in accordance with one aspect of the present invention, with the 5' terminal DNA sequences shown for the TSWV-BL N gene in the pBIN19-N construct (SEQ ID No: 31) and for the mutated, untranslatable N gene in the pB1525-mN construct (SEQ ID No: 32); and

Fig. 8 depicts the TSWV-BL half N gene fragments introduced into plants in accordance with one aspect of the present invention, with the 5' terminal DNA sequences shown for the TSWV-BL half N gene in the pBIN19-1N construct (SEQ ID No: 31), the mutated, untranslatable half N gene in the pBIN19-1N' construct (SEQ ID No: 33), the half N gene in the pBIN19-2N construct (SEQ ID No: 34), and the mutated, untranslatable half N gene in the pBIN19-2N' construct (SEQ ID No: 35).